## **Notice of Public Meeting**

The Amherst Conservation Commission is seeking input from the public regarding the dog regulations pilot program at Amethyst Brook and Mill River Conservation Areas.

Date: June 13, 2012 Time: 7:00 PM

**Location:** Town Room, Town Hall

## Background:

In November 2011, the Amherst Conservation Commission enacted new regulations at Amethyst Brook and Mill River Conservation Areas whereby dogs are permitted off-leash while under voice control from dawn until 10:00 AM, seven days a week. After 10:00 AM dogs must be leashed. The program was intended as a pilot and over the past six months the Conservation Commission, Conservation Department staff, the Town of Amherst Animal Welfare Officer, and the Amherst Police Department have monitored the program to determine compliance and success. The public is invited to attend the Conservation Commission's meeting on June 13, 2012 to provide input and comment on the pilot program to date. Comments can also be provided to the Commission in writing in advance of the meeting, via email to conservation@amherstma.gov or via mail to Conservation Department, 4 Boltwood Ave, Amherst, MA 01002.